

# STATE OF MICHIGAN



## CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

### ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN

I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

March 11-17, 2018

## AMERICORPS WEEK

**WHEREAS**, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and throughout our history citizens have stepped up to meet our challenges by volunteering in their communities; and,

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps provides opportunities for more than 75,000 Americans to serve their country through an intensive commitment to service at nonprofits, schools, public agencies, and community and faith-based groups all across the country; and,

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps enriches the lives of its members, building habits that create engaged citizens who are active participants in civic matters affecting their communities long after their service terms are completed; and,

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps members encourage collaboration and partnerships, leveraging millions of volunteers in service and acquiring the support of business partners to increase the effectiveness of their initiatives; and,

**WHEREAS**, in Michigan more than 1,000 AmeriCorps members of various ages and backgrounds helped to meet local needs of more than 300 in the state by tutoring or mentoring children and youth, supporting veterans and military families, restoring the environment, and responding to disasters; and,

**WHEREAS**, in exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn valuable work skills and money for continuing education, and strengthen the lives of their families, communities, and the state of Michigan as a whole; and,

**WHEREAS**, since AmeriCorps was founded in 1994, more than 30,000 AmeriCorps members served more than 43 million hours and qualified for the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$99,000,000; and,

**WHEREAS**, during AmeriCorps Week, we join with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and the Michigan Community Service Commission to recognize the dedication and commitment of the more than one million Americans who have chosen to serve their country through AmeriCorps and their community partners, and to encourage more Americans to follow in their footsteps in service;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim March 11-17, 2018 as AmeriCorps Week in Michigan.



A blue ink signature of the name "Rick Snyder".

Rick Snyder  
Governor

